

REMARKS

By the present amendment, Applicant has cancelled Claims 1-14 and added Claims 15-17. Claims 15-17 remain pending in the present application. Claim 15 is the only independent claim.

Applicant appreciates the courtesies extended to Applicant's representative during the personal interview held on February 2, 2006. The present response summarizes the substance of the interview and the agreement reached. At the interview proposed, new Claims 15-17 were presented for discussion and arguments were advanced that the new claims were patentably distinguishable over the applied references of record. Claims 15-17 as presented above are identical to the claims discussed at the interview.

In the recent Office Action the Examiner rejected Claims 1-14 under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Takada (US 4,979,777) in view of Osato (US 6,764,133 B2). The cancellation of Claims 1-14 and the introduction of Claims 15-17 by the present amendment should serve to render this particular grounds of rejection moot.

Applicant's invention is generally drawn to a stroller having a CD player and speakers. As set out in newly introduced Claim 15, the stroller comprises, in part, a pocket positioned on the rear wall of the stroller. The pocket is recited as having a flap. Openings are disposed in the flap for receiving speaker wires therethrough. This independent claim further calls for a removable CD holder positioned on the side of the stroller. Dependent

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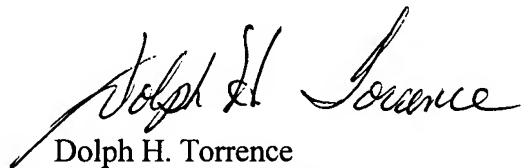
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claims 16 and 17 respectively call for covers for the speaker wires and for rain resistant material for the pocket.

Applicant's representative argued at the aforementioned interview that the combination of elements set out in new, independent Claim 15 was not disclosed in the primary reference to Takada and that the deficiencies of Takada were not remedied when combined with the secondary reference to Osato. The Examiner was in agreement with this argument (see interview summary).

For the foregoing reasons, Applicant respectfully submits that the present application is in condition for allowance. If such is not the case, the Examiner is requested to kindly contact the undersigned in an effort to satisfactorily conclude the prosecution of this application.

Respectfully submitted,

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